

Cranwell Primary School Verisletter

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'I am a strong believer that e-safety is an enabler, not a showstopper. It should never be a barrier to innovative use of technology." Alan Mackenzie, E-Safety Advisor.

In today's society children grow up with the internet as part of their daily lives. So how can we let them explore on-line safely?

We have arranged a free E-Safety workshop available for all parents which will take place on Tuesday 29th November 2016. I stress the importance of a parent attending the session to provide you with a valuable strategy to keep your family safe on the internet. Many thanks.

E-Safety - Do not ignore!

Why is it important to stay safe online?

The potential for the internet to be a valuable and fun resource for entertainment, making friends and learning is huge. But if you use the internet, you could be at risk of illegal activity or abuse - be it bullying, fraud or something more serious. Unlike seeing someone face to face, on the net, people aren't always what they first seem. Placing your child's name online and a picture of them in school uniform gives away a great deal of information that others may misuse and gain access to your child.

In the same way you learn about safety when you leave the house, it is important to learn how to stay safe online. These are skills that will stay with you for life.

See www.thinkuknow.co.uk for more details.

Nut & Mollusc Allergies

We currently have children in school who have severe nut and mollusc allergies. Please can I ask parents to ensure that no packed lunches or snacks include nuts/peanut butter/chocolate spread containing nuts, etc nor crustaceans such as crabs, shrimp and lobsters, and molluscs such as oysters and snails.

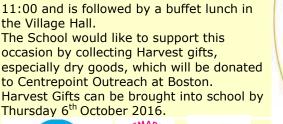
Many thanks for your support in this matter.

Harvest Celebrations

Cranwell Village's St Andrew's Church, Cranwell Village will be conducting its Harvest Festival Celebration on Sunday 9th October 2016. Service commences at 11:00 and is followed by a buffet lunch in the Village Hall.

The School would like to support this occasion by collecting Harvest gifts, especially dry goods, which will be donated to Centrepoint Outreach at Boston. Harvest Gifts can be brought into school by









Individual Photographs

On Thursday 22nd September, the school photographer will be taking individual photographs. Family photographs together with pre-school are available in the morning from 8:45am. Please enter the school via the school reception if you wish to have a family photograph.



Cold Weather

Please can you ensure all children are sent in with coats or fleeces now the weather is turning colder. Classes often work outside, supporting the Government's targets to promote outdoor learning. Therefore, along with playtimes, your child may be spending additional time outside.















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Join us for:

LAUGHING. YUMMY CUPCAKES. **GETTING TOGETHER...** AND HELPING FAMILIES FECTED BY CANCER.



Donations of cakes for the 'World's Biggest Coffee Morning' would be gratefully received. Please bring your offerings the day before, or prior to 8:30am on the day and join us at the front of school to enjoy a cake and coffee!! Thank you for your support!!

'Teach Your Monster to Read'

Is your child starting to read? Looking for an easy way to help them? Try the free website:

www.teachyourmonstertoread.com

Teach your Monster to Read: First Steps is a new, free game to practise the first steps of reading.

Combining top quality games design with essential learning, the game is built on the principles of synthetic phonics and follows the teaching sequence of the Letters and Sounds programme.

Road Safety

Can we please all take a little more care driving in and around the school area. Parking in and around school is often congested at drop off and collection times, as are most schools around England. I plea to all parents of our school, that you always consider where you park when dropping off and collecting your child. Yes, you may think you are parked sensibly and your car is not in the way or 'not harming anyone' where it is, but can children cross safely where you have parked? Will your car make it difficult for other cars to get past?

Please spare a thought for all the local residents living around the school perimeter, especially in Cherry Tree Crescent, Baghdad Road, Delhi Square and the Spar Car Park.

Please can we show full consideration and ensure we do not park on, or obstruct any driveways or paths.

School are aware of Lincolnshire Police's visits to these areas and are warning parents they are issuing tickets where appropriate. Many thanks for helping to respect our neighbours.

Toasty Tuesdays are back!!!

Children are able to purchase a slice of toast at Tuesday playtimes. Provided by the PTA, the children can enjoy a slice for 20p. Please can infant children bring their 20p in a sealed, named envelope.

Thurston Trip

Our annual trip to the Thurston Outdoor Education Centre in Coniston, Cumbria is about to be offered to our year 5 children. Places will be reserved quickly. If your child is currently in Year Five and is interested, then you must attend a presentation night which gives both parents and children the knowledge of what the trip entails, how to book a place and what your child needs to do to prepare for the trip. The meeting will take place on Wednesday 5th October 2016 at 6:00pm in the School Hall.





Doas

With the lovely pathways we have around school and the village area, it is an ideal place for walking dogs. However, as a school, we have noticed the increased level of dog excrements which often trails into the school buildings on the soles of unknowing pupils or adults. If you are a dog owner, please ensure our pathways are kept clean of dog excrements, preventing upset of having to clean the mess off. This is clearly a health and safety issue to all children within the school. Many thanks for your consideration in this matter. Please note, dogs are not permitted on the School Grounds.

Upcoming Events

Next PTA Meeting

Tuesday 4th October 2016 @ 9.10am

Individual & Family Photographer: Thursday 22nd September 2016 from 8:45am

Harvest Festival Dry Foods Donations By Thursday 6th October 2016

MacMillan Coffee Morning (and cakes!!!) Friday 30th September 2016 at 8:45am

Parent Interviews

Week beginning 17th October 2016

Parent's E-Safety Training

Tuesday 29th November 2016 at 3:15pm

This Academic year:

Term 1 ends - Friday 21st Oct 2016

Term 2: Tuesday 1st Nov – Tuesday 20th Dec 2016

Term 3: Wed 4th January - Fri 10th Feb 2017

Term 4: Mon 20th Feb – Fri 31st Mar 2017

Term 5 : Tuesday 18th Apr – Friday 26th May 2017 Term 6 : Mon 5th Jun – Wednesday 19th July 2017

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